WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC

ORDER NO. 6458

IN THE MATTER OF: Served December 17, 2001

Application of TRANSCARE SYSTEMS,)   Case No. AP-2001-96
INC., for a Certificate of   )
Authority -- Irregular Route   )
Operations   )

       Applicant seeks a certificate of authority to transport passengers in irregular route operations between points in the Metropolitan District, restricted to transportation in vehicles with a seating capacity of less than 16 persons only, including the driver. The application is unopposed.

       The Compact, Title II, Article XI, Section 7(a), authorizes the Commission to issue a certificate of authority if it finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that the applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission.

       Applicant proposes commencing operations with two vans. Applicant's proposed tariff contains rates for Medicaid transportation and non-Medicaid transportation.[1]

       Applicant filed a balance sheet as of October 14, 2001, showing assets of $20,000 and no liabilities. Applicant's projected operating statement for the first twelve months of WMATC operations shows WMATC revenue of $95,000; expenses of $83,023; and net income of $11,977.

       Applicant certifies it has access to, is familiar with, and will comply with the Compact and the Commission's rules and regulations thereunder.

       Based on the evidence in this record, the Commission finds that the proposed transportation is consistent with the public interest and that applicant is fit, willing, and able to perform the proposed transportation properly, conform to the provisions of the Compact, and conform to the rules, regulations, and requirements of the Commission.

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    [1] The proposed tariff also states that applicant's rules and regulations include "having a certified personnel assist any passenger or passengers who have had a prior life threatening condition, or who may suddenly develop a life threatening condition while en route." Commission Regulations Nos. 51-12, 55-09 and 63-05 specifically prohibit any carrier from holding itself out as being capable of rendering life support service. This portion of the application, therefore, is not approved.
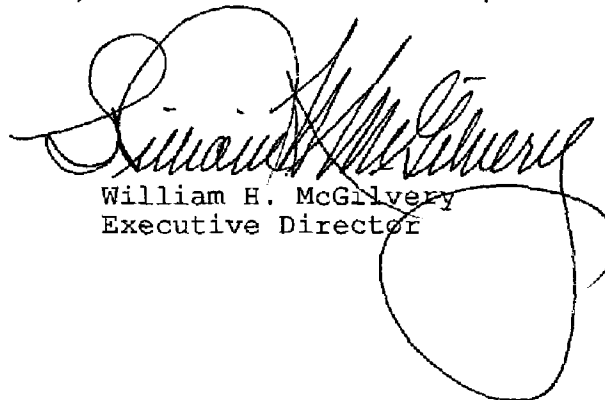
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. That upon applicant's timely compliance with the requirements of this order, Certificate of Authority No. 664 shall be issued to Transcare Systems, Inc., 5516 Woodenhawk Circle, Columbia, MD 21044.

2. That applicant may not transport passengers for hire between points in the Metropolitan District pursuant to this order unless and until a certificate of authority has been issued in accordance with the preceding paragraph.

3. That applicant is hereby directed to file the following documents within thirty days: (a) evidence of insurance pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 58 and Order No. 4203; (b) an original and four copies of a tariff or tariffs in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 55; (c) a vehicle list stating the year, make, model, serial number, fleet number, license plate number (with jurisdiction) and seating capacity of each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (d) a copy of the vehicle registration card, and a lease as required by Commission Regulation No. 62 if applicant is not the registered owner, for each vehicle to be used in revenue operations; (e) proof of current safety inspection of said vehicle(s) by or on behalf of the United States Department of Transportation, the State of Maryland, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Virginia; and (f) a notarized affidavit of identification of vehicles pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 61.

4. That the grant of authority herein shall be void and the application shall stand denied upon applicant's failure to timely satisfy the conditions of issuance prescribed herein.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION; COMMISSIONERS YATES, LIGON, AND MILLER:

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Executive Director